



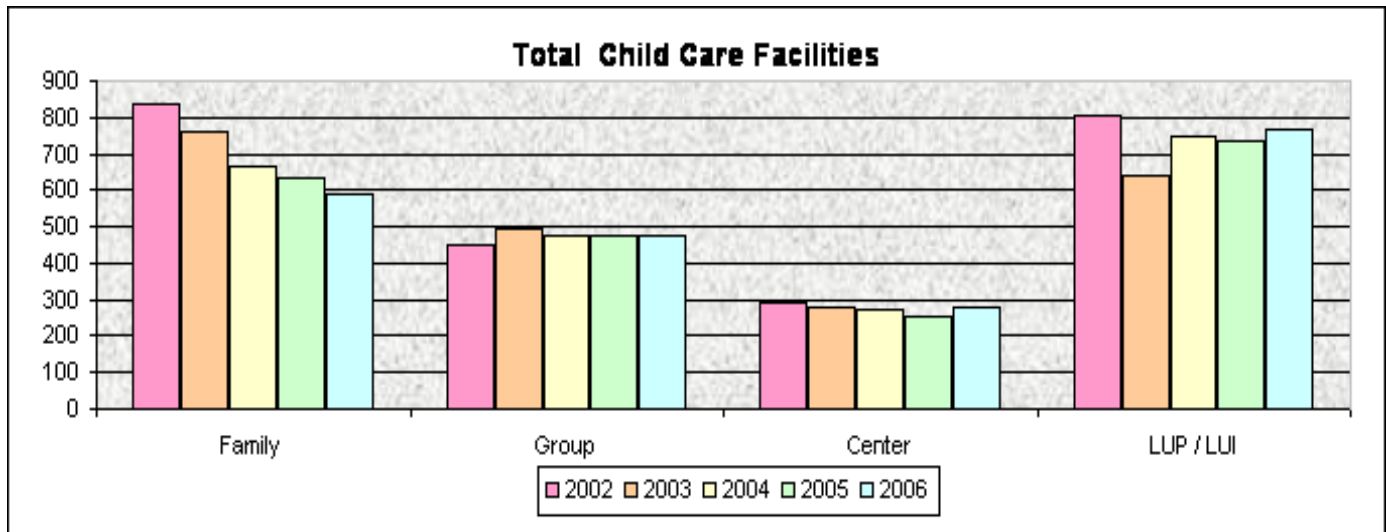
Montana Child Care Data Report

State Fiscal Year 2006

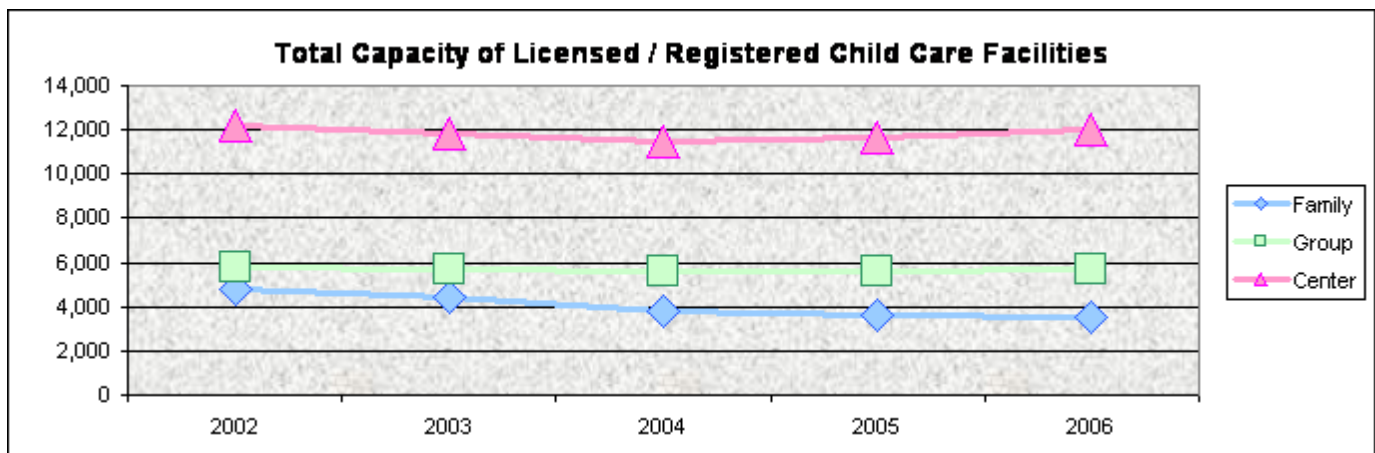
July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006 (unless otherwise noted)

Child Care Supply (Year-end snapshot on July 1)

| | SFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|--|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total licensed / registered child care facilities | | 1,576 | 1,532 | 1,412 | 1,368 | 1,345 |
| Registered family day care homes | | 834 | 761 | 663 | 634 | 587 |
| Registered group day care homes | | 449 | 495 | 478 | 478 | 478 |
| Licensed day care centers | | 293 | 276 | 271 | 256 | 280 |
| Legally Unregistered Providers / In-Home Providers | | 803 | 639 | 747 | 737 | 770 |



| | SFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|--|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total capacity of licensed / registered child care facilities | | 22,172 | 22,470 | 22,755 | 20,831 | 21,227 |
| (capacity in children) | | | | | | |
| Capacity of registered family child care homes | | 4,776 | 4,389 | 3,795 | 3,655 | 3,507 |
| Capacity of registered group child care homes | | 5,765 | 5,716 | 5,571 | 5,561 | 5,709 |
| Capacity of licensed day care centers | | 12,220 | 11,803 | 11,497 | 11,615 | 12,011 |



| <i>Visits to child care facilities for inspection</i> | <i>SFY</i> | <i>2002</i> | <i>2003</i> | <i>2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total number of visits | | 962 | 739 | 1046 | 900 | 1,248 |
| Regular/routine visits | | 612 | 438 | 523 | 277 | 431 |
| Complaint visits | | 350 | 70 | 402 | 324 | 343 |
| New Provider / 20% Initial | | xxxx | 231 | 121 | 193 | 325 |
| Regular 20% Inspections | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | 106 | 149 |

Child care facilities with extended licenses / registrations

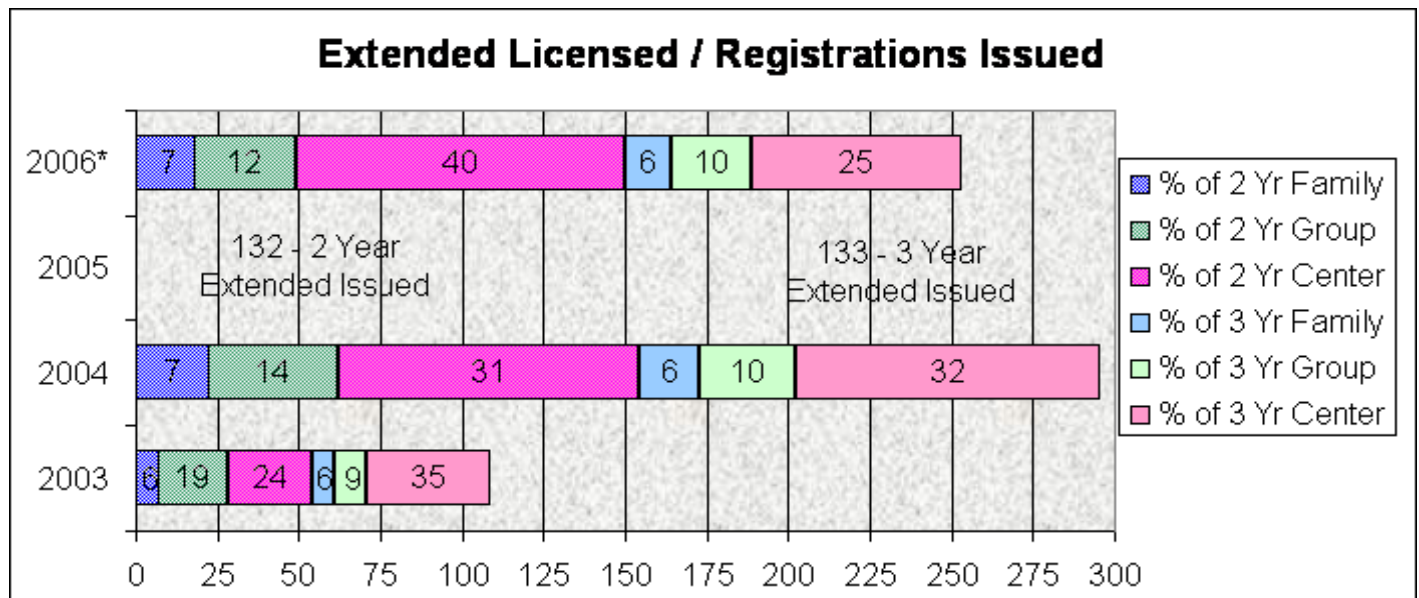
| <i>Total 2 and 3 Year Extended licenses / registrations granted</i> | <i>SFY</i> | <i>2003</i> | <i>2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006*</i> |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Total child care facilities | | 109 | 296 | 265 | 253 |
| Family day care homes | | 14 | 41 | xxxx | 32 |
| Group day care homes | | 31 | 69 | xxxx | 56 |
| Child care centers | | 64 | 186 | xxxx | 165 |

| <i>2 Year Extended licenses / registrations granted</i> | <i>SFY</i> | <i>2003</i> | <i>2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006*</i> |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Total child care facilities | | 54 | 154 | 132 | 150 |
| Family day care homes | | 7 | 22 | xxxx | 18 |
| Group day care homes | | 21 | 40 | xxxx | 31 |
| Child care centers | | 26 | 92 | xxxx | 101 |

| <i>3 Year Extended licenses / registrations granted</i> | <i>SFY</i> | <i>2003</i> | <i>2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006*</i> |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Total child care facilities | | 55 | 142 | 133 | 103 |
| Family day care homes | | 7 | 19 | xxxx | 14 |
| Group day care homes | | 10 | 29 | xxxx | 25 |
| Child care centers | | 38 | 94 | xxxx | 64 |

*These are the total number of extended licenses/registrations for the period denoted. They do not represent the issuance of NEW extended certificates for the FY06.

xxxx: Info not available due to various data base limitations and data collection issues.



| Star-Quality child care facilities | SFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total one and two star facilities | | 32 | 68 | 74 | 54 | 57 |
| One-Star facilities | | 21 | 33 | 45 | 21 | 19 |
| Two-Star facilities | | 13 | 35 | 42 | 33 | 38 |

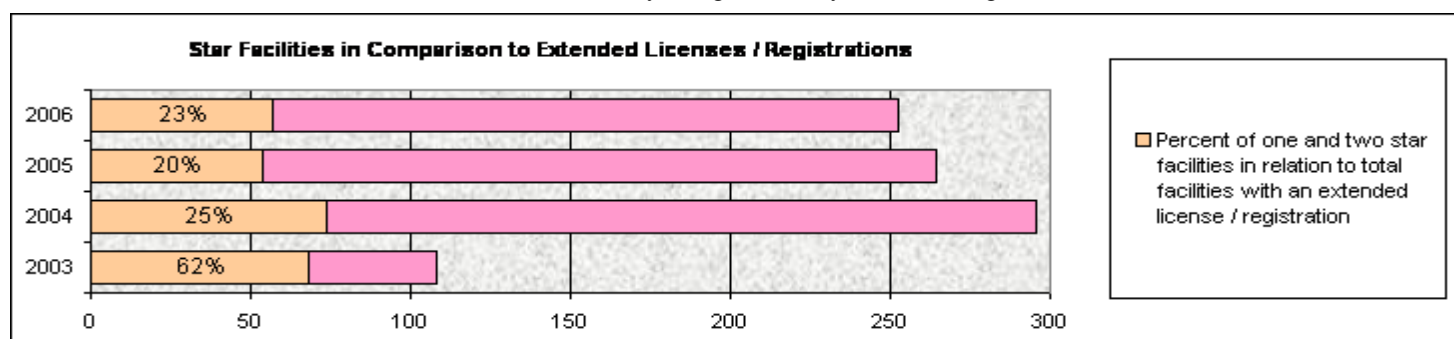
ECSB Benchmark: By the end of SFY 2007, Increase the number of star providers by 10%

Goal Statement: Increase the number of child care facilities participating in the star quality program by 10% in each successive year.

| Accredited child care facilities in Star-Quality program | SFY | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Child care centers accredited by NAEYC | | 11 | 12 | 16 |
| Home day cares accredited by NAFCC | | 21 | 22 | 22 |

| Accredited child care facilities statewide | SFY | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Child care centers accredited by NAEYC | | 15 | 18 | 31 |
| Home daycares accredited by NAFCC | | 32 | 27 | 29 |
| After School Programs accredited by NAA | | | 1 | 1 |

ECSB Benchmark: By the end of SFY 2007, increase by 10%, the number of providers accredited by nationally recognized early childhood organizations



Family Services

Best Beginnings Scholarship Program

(Child Care Payment Assistance)

| | FFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Families served | | 7,603 | 6,275 | 5,689 | 6,113 | 6,294 |
| Children served | | 13,457 | 10,382 | 9,613 | 10,201 | 10,522 |
| Dollars spent | | \$20,311,557 | \$17,372,333 | \$14,322,439 | \$17,896,247 | \$18,258,435 |
| Monthly cost per capita/child | | \$256.33 | \$263.29 | \$242.81 | \$278.92 | \$282.76 |

ECSB Benchmark: By the end of SFY 2007 increase by 2% the proportion of children served through the Best Beginnings Scholarship program as compared to the number of children in families with income under 150% of the federal poverty level.

Montana Child Care Resource & Referral Network Services

(Data reflects federal fiscal year, 10/1 through 9/30)

| | FFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|--|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Children referred to child care | | 6,890 | 4,471 | 5,189 | 6,328 | 7,469 |
| Best Beginnings applications distributed | | 8,784 | 7,116 | 9,868 | 10,123 | 8,071 |
| Staff technical assistance consultations | | 62,367 | 77,615 | 82,705 | 96,921 | 80,842 |

Note: A waiting list for child care payment assistance was implemented in 2002 leading to subsequent reduction in child care supply and services in 2003 and 2004.

Montana Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)
(Data reflects federal fiscal year, 10/1 through 9/30)

| | FFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total facilities enrolled | | 1,708 | 1,597 | 1,304 | 1,093 | 1,066 |
| MT centers enrolled in CACFP | | 227 | 216 | 200 | 216 | 219 |
| % of all centers enrolled in CACFP | | 77% | 78% | 74% | 84% | 78% |
| Family/group homes enrolled in CACFP | | | | 1,005 | 881 | 876 |
| % of all family/group homes enrolled | | | | 88% | 79% | 82% |
| Dollars spent in meal reimbursements | | \$8,262,062 | \$7,983,360 | \$7,882,368 | \$7,917,157 | \$8,262,695 |

* CACFP centers enrolled includes facilities that are not required to be licensed by state child care licensing, such as Head Start facilities.

| | FFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| MT CACFP visits to centers | | 57 | 53 | 53 | 47 | 42 |
| MT CACFP visits to family/group homes | | | | 47 | 33 | 25 |
| MT CACFP visits to facilities, total | | | | 101 | 80 | 67 |

Estimated sponsoring CACFP visits to facilities
(Based on required 3 monitoring visits per year per home)

| | Total | 5,124 | 4,791 | 3,912 | 2,565 | 2,628 |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Training events sponsored by MT CACFP | | | | 14 | 12 | 15 |

Child Care Resource & Referral Training
(Data reflects federal fiscal year, 10/1 through 9/30)

| | FFY | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| New provider orientation sessions | | 79 | 81 | 88 | 100 | 102 |
| New provider orientation participants (reg/lic) | | 801 | 713 | 644 | 448 | 429 |
| Approved courses offered | | 464 | 445 | 664 | 751 | 687 |
| Hours of completed training | | 1,989 | 1,909 | 1,987 | 2,900 | 2,172 |

Professional Development

| | SFY | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|--|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Number of providers at level 3 or higher | | 369 | 366 | 399 |
| Number of apprentices enrolled / completing | | 51 / 101* | 51 / 7 | 42 / 9 |
| Number of infant / toddler certified caregivers newly associated to a provider | | 106 | 99 | 100 |
| Total infant / toddler certified caregivers | | 781 | | |
| Total active infant / toddler certified caregivers | | 381 | | |

Practitioner Registry Level 3 Benchmark: By the end of SFY 2007 increase, by 10%, the number of caregivers at a level 3 or Higher on the Practitioner registry

ECSB Benchmark: By the end of SFY 2007, we will increase the number of caregivers enrolled and completing by 10%.

Foot Note for Apprenticeship Benchmark: 2004 was the last year of the MECAP pilot project; moving to self-sustaining in 2005. At the time of this change, staffing went from full time to quarter time staffing dedicated to this project.

* 2004 completion data is cumulative from the beginning of the program in 2001.

| | <i>FFY</i> | <i>2002</i> | <i>2003</i> | <i>2004</i> | <i>2005</i> | <i>2006</i> |
|--|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Total Best Beginnings Quality Initiative contracts | | 557 | 471 | 468 | 463 | 578 |
| Total dollars contracted (obligated) | | \$1,282,661 | \$1,105,810 | \$1,065,283 | \$986,965 | \$1,134,949 |
| Child Care Provider Grants | | 32 | 29 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| Child Care Provider Grant dollars | | \$383,173 | \$322,235 | \$262,388 | \$289,236 | \$280,636 |
| Mini Grant | | 113 | 94 | 93 | 96 | 94 |
| Mini Grant dollars | | \$128,427 | \$102,733 | \$101,315 | \$104,980 | \$102,275 |
| Merit Pay participants | | 372 | 321 | 165 | 89* | 192 |
| Merit Pay dollars | | \$135,400 | \$112,600 | \$49,500 | \$26,700 | \$81,750 |
| * In 2005 the practitioner registry requirement was implemented. | | | | | | |
| Higher Education Merit Pay participants | | xxxx | xxxx | 114 | 67 | 62 |
| Higher Education Merit Pay dollars | | xxxx | xxxx | \$85,500 | \$50,250 | \$84,750 |
| Mentoring programs | | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Mentoring dollars | | \$124,994 | \$138,948 | \$124,183 | \$126,181 | \$122,488 |
| Specialized Training | | 18 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 8 |
| Specialized Training dollars | | \$200,323 | \$98,968 | \$92,518 | \$139,493 | \$147,500 |
| Infant/Toddler Demonstration Project | | 16 | 14 | 12 | xxxx | xxxx |
| Infant/Toddler dollars | | \$310,344 | \$330,326 | \$331,079 | xxxx | xxxx |
| Certified Infant Toddler Caregiver Stipend program | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | 126 | 64 |
| Certified Infant Toddler Caregiver dollars | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | \$201,600 | \$102,400 |
| Infant/Toddler Merit Pay participants | | xxxx | xxxx | 47 | 44 | 36 |
| Infant/Toddler Merit Pay dollars | | xxxx | xxxx | \$18,800 | \$17,600 | \$14,400 |
| Infant Toddler Mentoring programs | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | 4 |
| Infant Toddler Mentoring dollars | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | \$108,000 |
| Infant Toddler Mini Grants | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | 28 | 85 |
| Infant Toddler Mini Grant dollars | | xxxx | xxxx | xxxx | \$30,925 | \$90,750 |

Footnotes: xxxx: Indicates that there were no contracts of this type in the given year.

Contract Numbers: Are the number of contracts that were awarded for the year.

Dollar Amounts: Are the amount that is obligated by the award of the contract, not the amount that has been expended.